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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

Planning Branch

JUN 24 2016

Ms. Nancy Faegenburg  
King County  
River and Floodplain Management Section  
201 S. Jackson Street  
Suite 600  
Seattle, Washington 98104

Mr. Andy Loch  
City of Bothell  
Public Works Department  
18415 101<sup>st</sup> Avenue Northeast  
Bothell, Washington 98011

Dear Ms. Faegenburg and Mr. Loch:

By your letters dated June 8, 2016 and June 15, 2016, you requested permission to alter the Sammamish River Improvement Project by constructing the Sammamish River Off-Channel Habitat Restoration Project. Pursuant to Section 14 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, 33 U.S.C. 408 (Section 408), the Seattle District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Seattle District) has performed an evaluation of your joint request. This evaluation was performed in accordance with Engineer Circular (EC) 1165-2-216.

Based upon this evaluation, the Seattle District grants permission to alter the Federally authorized Sammamish River Improvement Project. Seattle District has determined that the designs and supporting analyses are adequate to ensure the proposed alterations to the Federal project will not impair the usefulness of the authorized flood control project and will not be injurious to the public interest. The verification of the nationwide permit will be provided in a separate cover letter to the City of Bothell.

You are required to coordinate the final project design of the Sammamish River Off-Channel Habitat Restoration Project with Seattle District prior to commencing construction and to provide as-built drawings to Seattle District within 60 days of project completion.

As the requestors, you are both responsible for any remedial action needed to correct any deficiency in the design or construction of the requested alteration.

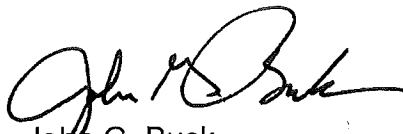


Furthermore, the altering features of the permitted Section 408 project are not a function of flood control. Should they become damaged during a flood event, the features are ineligible for Federal assistance under the Public Law (PL) 84-99 program.

King County, as the authorized Sammamish River Improvement Project non-Federal sponsor, continues to be responsible for all operations and maintenance responsibilities along with any remedial action needed to correct any deficiency in the design or construction of the requested alteration to the completed authorized Federal project.

For any questions regarding this evaluation, please contact Ms. Keely Brown, Section 408 Program Manager, at (206) 764-3434 or [Keely.N.Brown@usace.army.mil](mailto:Keely.N.Brown@usace.army.mil).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John G. Buck". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a stylized "B".

John G. Buck  
Colonel, Corps of Engineers  
District Commander

